

naturalization laws need to be amended

and greater circumspection of applicants

required, the nation is agreed; that there

should be put up some bars against immi-

gration of a certain class, the people are of

one mind. The control of immigration

has never been satisfactory, and the sooner

the Government resumes its right to manage

such matters the better. The ease with

which foreigners are railroaded through the

Courts and turned out upon pure citizenship

before they understand the full mean-

ing of the title is a public shame, and the

sooner it is removed the better.

LIEUTENANT CROZIER, of our army,

went to Europe to examine into the

effectiveness of certain new ordinance in-

ventions. While there he had occasion to

test the new smokeless powder, of which we

hear so much. In his report to the Govern-

ment he will not be favorable to the

new explosive agent. The Swiss Govern-

ment has used the powder for a very con-

siderable time, and experiment and con-

stant trial have convinced the Swiss of-

ficials that the velocity given the bullet is

sufficient but that the pressure, 37,000

pounds to the square inch, is dangerously

great. France, with its new rifles, got

somewhat better results in its experiments,

increasing the velocity and reducing the

pressure to 34,000 pounds. The German

smokeless powder is however the best, and

gives more satisfactory results, but still

the pressure is too great.

According to Lieutenant Crozier there

are three serious objections to all the

kind of smokeless powder yet invented

and tested: The irregularity of pressure,

the quickness with which they deteriorate

and the intense heat, which burns the

shell and affects the accuracy of fire.

Until these obstacles are overcome smoke-

less powder will not come into general

use.

But there are some very gratifying re-

sults of the Lieutenant's visit to Europe.

He reports emphatically that the United

States is as far advanced in knowledge

and ability to manufacture heavy guns as

any nation of Europe. Our six, eight

and ten-inch guns are as fine as any he

could find, and superior to most of those

he saw in Europe. But in the matter of

carriages for our heavy guns, the Lieuten-

ant reports that we are far behind the

Governments of the Old World. He pro-

posed the designs for the improved carriages,

and will submit them to the War and

Navy Departments at once.

MRS. STANFORD announces that design-

ing is to be taught in the Leland Stanford

Jr. University, as an essential foundation

to an education that shall not leave stu-

dents on graduating as Herbert Spencer

declared most college graduates are left,

helpless. This is a wise decision, but it

was contemplated from the first, and Mr.

and Mrs. Stanford, in preparing the neces-

sary materials for a School of Design, are

only carrying out their original intention.

The world is more and more awaking to

the realization of the truth, that drawing

and painting—the ability to express

through designs by light and shade—are

something more than accomplishments.

They are tools, arms, that equip whoever

has them that much the better for the bat-

tle of life. Every School of Design ought

to be encouraged, and there is room for

one in every considerable community. We

will have, as the result of their establish-

ment and promotion, better mechanics,

better business men, better professional

men, better artists, and, in consequence,

more refinement of the true order, of

which carries with it the capacity to com-

prehend the beautiful, symmetrical and

harmonious.

The decision of the House committee

that Silcott was a disbaring agent for the

Government, and that the latter is there-

fore bound to make good his losses, is

sound. We do not understand how it is

possible to occupy any other ground in the

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AN IMPORTANT DECISION AFFECTING

PETIT COURTS.

Judge Armstrong Defines Their Scope

In Certain Cases—Interesting

Legal Points.

Last week Superior Judge Armstrong, of

this county, presided over Judge Keyser's

Court in Yuba for several days, and among

other cases heard by him was the one de-

cided below. The case was taken under

advisement in Yuba, and yesterday Judge

Armstrong forwarded the following de-

cision to the Clerk of the Court in that

county. It deals with the functions of

Justices' and Police Courts, and will be

found of much interest:

The Superior Court of the County of Yuba,

of California—Ex parte Belle Boddington

on habeas corpus—

The petition was filed before the Police

Court of the city of Marysville, on the 25th

day of August, 1888, and was returned by

Judge Armstrong, and she was committed

to the County Jail. The Court permitted her

to go at large without bail in the sum of

\$100, and she was committed to the County

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